

CHNYC TELLTALE

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Secretary/Treasurer

Janet Belson

Secretary/Treasurer, Coasters Harbor Navy Yacht Club

Election of new Vice Commodore:

Nominee(s): CDR Ron Oard. Time & Place: Marina dock at 4:00PM on Wednesday, July 14, 2004. If you prefer, please send your proxy vote for the nominee or any other candidate subsequently nominated (must be on active duty) by mail before July 14th to Janet Belson at 5 Benedict Ave., Portsmouth, RI 02871. Please include your name to verify current membership.

Janet ❖

Special Note from the Helm

A Club such as ours has a number of important activities being pursued by a number of energetic volunteers, and everything can't be expected to run smoothly all the time. Communication is the key to improving what we do. Any member who has comments, concerns, or suggestions should direct them (confidentially, if desired) to the Commodore or other member of the Executive Committee.

Ben ❖

From the Helm

Ben Riggs

Commodore, Coasters Harbor Navy Yacht Club

The season is off to a great start, with a new Shields Upgrade program and monthly Race Training seminar added to our regular weekly Rhodes classes. Every one of these activities is the result of hard work by many dedicated volunteers, with Paul Mankofsky, Ron Oard, Rick Matton, and Chuck Kesson leading the way.

Some recent good news on "guest skippers": It will be possible from now on for an MWR patron who does not have the commensurate skipper or racing qualification to rent a boat if they rely on a CHNYC/MWR qualified skipper who is not an eligible patron. Conversely, a qualified non-MWR patron can sail if they have an MWR-eligible patron on board who signs out the boat. This will allow us to invite participation from our friends from Newport Yacht Club and elsewhere in our training and racing activities, and get more of our boats out on the water. Also, we are benefiting from volunteer CHNYC members who are not eligible MWR patrons, and this will allow them to officially act as instructors and skippers as well. As always, the person renting the boat is financially responsible for bringing it (and their crew) back in one piece.

Tom Hughes will be leaving active duty this month, so we will be electing a new Vice Commodore. Ron Oard has been nominated for that position. He will continue as Shields Fleet Captain as well. (See the Secretary/Treasurer Column to send in your vote.)

And remember to take advantage of our reciprocal agreements with other yacht clubs. They include Newport, Rhode Island, Wickford, E. Greenwich, Sag Harbor, Conanicut, and others. For most, just sign the guest log, identifying yourself as a CHNYC member, and enjoy their facilities.

See you on the water.

Ben

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Sail Training

Paul Mankofsky

Rear Commodore, Sail Training

Tom Gunzelman

Sail Training Administrator

Sail Training is terrific this season. Students are motivated and well prepared by our ground school volunteers, and we are sustaining our 2 to 1 ratio of students to on-the-water instructors. Many times the ratio has been reversed where we have 2 instructors per student and that is good also. The motivation, skills, and commitment of our instructors is superb. Walter, Bill, Mike, and Billy, at the Marina are providing excellent support to the program. We volunteer our time and are dispensing a high quality basic sailing education.

We have raised our performance standards and expectations for both students and instructors, and the result is apparent. Since May 1, we served about 56 students from 5 classes. About thirty nine of the students completed their on-water training and 95% have been qualified as Rhodes skippers. This resulted from 64 on-the-water sorties or 128 instructor volunteer hours. The weather until now has been typically rainy and cool with an easterly component to the breezes or no wind at all. The best weather of the season is about to begin and we are committed to continue our excellent performance. We encourage all of you to support on-the-water training efforts. Those who are serving our nation in these tumultuous and dangerous times, and those who have served, and their families deserve our best. Please let us know when you are available.

Paul & Tom ❖

Marina Advisory Group

Bob Parent

MAG Co-chairperson

Nothing to report from the MAG. Bob ❖

General Note:

The maintenance of the marina heads continues to be a problem. Please do your part by using them with consideration for others, and be sure to keep the Building 18 door locked at all times. And be sure to report any misuse promptly to the marina manager.

Ground School

Paul Watters

Rear Commodore, Ground School

Here is our lineup for ground school instructors of the June through September classes:

Date	Instructor
June 28	Robb Fuller
July 5	No Class
July 12	Manny Moniz
July 19	Ed Lynch
July 26	Cheri Richter
August 2	No Class
August 9	Curtis Duncan
August 16	Ben Maher
August 23	Ken Ingerson
August 30	Mike Keen
September 6	No Class
September 13	Brain McKeon
September 20	Chuck Kesson

We have posted all the classroom training materials on the CHNYC WEB site . . . copies are also available on CD-ROM. We'll be using the updated (2004) NAVSTA/MWR Handout as a note taking and study guide; the reference book that students can buy remains US Sailing's *Basic Keelboat*.

If you'd like to help teach, please contact me. If you want to take the course, you should sign-up at the Marina Office in building 17, 841-3283.

Paul ❖

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SAIL TRAINING

DATE: GROUND SCHOOL MONDAY, TUESDAY AND THURSDAY NIGHTS; ON-THE-WATER SATURDAY MORNINGS AND MONDAY, TUESDAY, AND THURSDAY EVENINGS. FIRST CLASS STARTS 3 MAY.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT RACE SERIES

DATE: WEDNESDAY EVENINGS MAY THROUGH OCTOBER

PLACE: STARTING LINE WEST OF COASTERS HARBOR ISLAND

Spring series starts 19 May with a practice race; see NOR and SI posted on the CHNYC WEB site. Contact Seth Moyer for the details.

MARINA BARBECUE/ LAWN PARTY

DATE: SATURDAY JULY 10TH 12:30

PLACE: GRASSY AREA BY 'D' DOCK AND BLDG 18

RACE QUALIFICATION SEMINAR

DATE: 12-15 JULY

WINSLOW REGATTA

DATE: SATURDAY AUGUST 7TH

SURFACE NAVY ASSOCIATION REGATTA

DATE: 21 AUGUST

Notice from the Newport Yacht Club:

The Newport Yacht Club cordially extends to the Officers and Members of the Coasters Harbor Navy Yacht Club the privileges of its clubhouse for the season of 2004.

HELP WANTED

SHIP STORE OPERATOR

I'm still looking for a volunteer to take over the Ship's Store. The pay isn't so great BUT it's very rewarding to be able to bring such joy & happiness to the lives of our members.

Haul Out Information

Paul Watters

Haul-out Coordinator

Early notice of the winter boat haul out procedures for next season.

There has been some confusion about this procedure in the past, so I wanted to start early to be sure everyone understands how the process works. This notice will be repeated periodically through the next season.

CHNYC BOAT HAUL-OUT AND STORAGE PROGRAM

CHNYC has established a relationship with New England Boat Works (NEB) in Portsmouth for winter haul-out and storage for members of CHNYC. This arrangement provides a group discount rate for winter haul-out, wash, storage and spring launch for eligible CHNYC members. The discount is available to CHNYC members only and is based on a maximum number of boats at 50. Participants in this program must sign an individual contract with NEB for their services. This service provides only for haul-out, wash, storage and launch. Any other work must be arranged separately by the boat owner with NEB.

The following procedures are implemented for participation in the CHNYC group boat haul program:

- 1) You must be a member in good standing of the CHNYC as of May 1 of the current year.
- 2) Each member of CHNYC desiring to participate in the program must contact the Boat Haul Coordinator NO LATER THAN AUGUST 31 each year. No additional names will be added to the list after this date. A notice of this deadline will be published in subsequent Tell Tale issues. **Members wishing to participate must contact the Boat Haul Coordinator EACH YEAR to renew their position on the list.**

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3) The list of names of CHNYC members who are participating in the program will be provided to the manager at NEB by September 1. The discounted rate will be provided to participating members when they sign their individual contract with NEB.

4) CHNYC members who have placed their name on the haul-out list may remove their names from the list by contacting the Boat Haul Coordinator by October 31.

Please contact via Email: paulwatters@earthlink.net

DAISY GILMORE

Social Director & Ship's Store Custodian

Our next activity will be a Marina Barbecue / Lawn Party scheduled for July 10th (Saturday) so mark those calendars. We'll also be holding one later in the year in conjunction with the Winslow Regatta on August 7th. We hold these up on the grassy area by 'D' Dock & Bldg 18. This will be an early afternoon event with the lighting off of the grill probably around 12:30 o'clock. CHNYC will supply the hot grill, burgers, dogs and basic beverages. Although certainly not a prerequisite, members are encouraged to bring a personal specialty (side dish) for all to share. The only real requirement is to be hungry and have a desire to socialize with fellow boaters.

We'll also have the Ship's Store available for your purchasing pleasure. You don't want to get caught short and find yourself without a fashionable CHNYC Shirt (or some other embroidered 'must have' item).

From the Race Course

From the Rear Commodore, Racing:

Lack of wind forced the abandonment of the 1st official race of the Rhodes-19 Wednesday evening series on 26 May and along with a strong flooding tidal current, was a major factor in the controversial conclusion of the race held on 2 June. Our 9 June race was successfully concluded with steady SW winds. Winds can be flukey during this early summer period and make an understanding of the tidal currents running through our course area especially important.

RC manning:

26 May – Smith/Swicker

2 June – Smith/Riggs

9 June – Smith/Munroe/Swicker

RC Volunteers needed: We are planning to conduct this year's George Winslow Memorial regatta on Saturday, 7 August, in conjunction with a club cookout and awards ceremony immediately following the races. We are looking for RC volunteers to support the races, both on the Committee boat and operating pin and mark boats. Volunteers are also needed to support the Rhodes-19 Wednesday evening series, which runs through early October. Please contact me at taiping35@aol.com if you are interested in working with the race committee and learning more about race management.

Doug Smith

CHNYC on the WEB

Remember the web site is the repository of the written products the club has generated. For example copies of the Telltale, Race Notices, class schedules, etc. are posted on the web site. Additionally many pictures taken by club members are posted to the site.

There are some excellent training materials on the site including a short video of the man overboard procedure. You may have to scroll to the right to see the links to the left of the picture. The URL is:

<http://www.nwc.navy.mil/chnyc>

Paul Schmidle

From the Shields Fleet

Ron Oard

Fleet Captain, Shields

Time flies by when you are having fun out on the water. The Fleet 9 Spring Racing Series is almost over and I can't recall a better spring weather wise (certainly better than last year!). We have a number of new faces this year among our crews in the Navy fleet, so several skippers have spent a bit of time breaking them in or reacquainting them with the Shields. Thanks again to those skippers who have taken these new guys aboard, or grabbed bodies on the pier. We've gotten out several students at the War College, one PXO, and a family member of one of the international students at the War College.

We've consistently had five boats out every Wednesday and we should have all six out through the end of the month. I just had a War College student volunteer to skipper Icea while John Allen is out of town through the summer, so with any luck we'll have all the boats out most Wednesdays. We had two boats out for the Memorial Day Regatta and Bernie Patterson in Ann was the top Navy boat, finishing seventh out of twelve of the best boats in the fleet in tough conditions (Angela finished ninth, but I did have to distinct pleasure of sending Chris Withers for a swim). I was only one out for the first round of the Lime Rock and Aloha Series weekend races, but I hope a few more can make it the next go around. The next weekend regatta is the Newport Regatta on 10-11 July. Shields Fleet 9 weekly racing results are now published in the NAVALOG for those who can grab a copy of the base newspaper.

We've had only a small turnout for the Shields training program so far, but we've made good use of the fixed time slots to take people out on check rides when there were not any students for the class. We've qualified 10 personnel in the Shields so far this spring, and Walter has done a great job of putting experienced sailors in contact with me via email. Many are folks coming to Newport later in the summer and looking to qualify on the Shields. Thanks again to those who have volunteered to be available to run the classes, and so far I've been able to cancel training 24 hours in advance so we don't waste a volunteer's time when there are no students.

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From the Rhodes Fleet

Seth Moyer

Fleet Captain, Rhodes 19

(moyersa@npt.nuwc.navy.mil)

Our race season is underway! We have 11 skippers currently signed up which means we still have boats available. We had a practice race on the 19th of May and the season kicked off on the following Wednesday on the 26th of May. Unfortunately our first race of the series on the 26th was abandoned prior to the fleet leaving the marina area due to lack of wind. Our second race also experienced a no wind event but it came just as the boats were finishing and as a result the scoring for those races is on hold pending a hearing by the protest committee's review of a redress situation.

On the 9th of June we had our first race with all entrants finishing providing a clear race and an undisputed finish. The winning skipper of this race was Scott Viloudaki, followed closely by Herb Rommel and Chuck Kesson. As you can see we have JUST started for the year so if you want to get involved let us know. The Summer Series will continue through 4 August. We will compete for the Winslow Cup on 7 August and begin the Fall Series on 11 August.

Seth❖



Wednesday Spring Series Racing Results (through 9 Jun):

Boat	Skipper	Points
Angela	Oard	44 (yeah, yeah, with a big assist from Chris Withers)
Ann	Patterson	52
Silverheels	Schofield	65
Vindex	Rushworth	68
Columbia	Belson	77
Icea	Allen	128 (hasn't been out yet, but will show us all what he can do this week!)

Ron



Power Boats

Ed Noll

The MWR Maritime Skiffs are excellent boats for fishing or making a quick sightseeing trip around Newport harbor and the local waters with visiting family or friends. You may foresee a time where you might want to take advantage of the skiff's capabilities.

You can complete the qualification by challenging the powerboat exam or attending the powerboat class on any Wednesday night from 1800 to 2100 and then taking a quick spin in the boat on Saturday morning.

Call the marina office 841-3283 and sign up.

Ed ❖

Race Training

Rick Matton

Rear Commodore, Race Training & Safety

Our racing seminars have been successful. Thirteen skippers or their crew have attended the first two seminars and are now racing in either the Shield's Fleet 9 or the CHNYC Rhodes Wednesday Night races. More seminars are scheduled the weeks of 12 July, 9 August and 13 September.

Everyone participates in the Wednesday night race, either as crew or race committee. Some of our liveliest discussions have been our Thursday evening analysis of the previous night's race. We all have different perspectives of the weather conditions (including wind direction, velocity and shifts), influence of tides and current, and the favored side of the course. These key elements affected your pre-race strategy and the perceived favored side of the course. Most skippers and crew also find our analysis of the tactics used when boats meet during starts, crossings, and mark roundings to be very informative. Many participants have found that the CD-ROM given to all graduates to be invaluable. The CD-ROM contains all the seminar training materials, all the local series/regatta Notices of Races and Sailing Instructions, a Narragansett Bay Current Chart, and multi-media offerings on boat handling and spinnaker trim, and the answers (with reasons) to the Racing IQ Test.

Some folks have already signed up for the July seminar but there is space available. This seminar will be focused a little differently as it will be the last seminar before the Winslow Cup Regatta on Saturday, 7 August. A regatta with three races scheduled the same day, with only an hour or so between events, requires the skippers and crew to consider their approach and racing strategies for the different races. If you don't agree or wonder how a regatta is different from the Wednesday Night Series, then this seminar is for you! You will learn some tips, tricks and techniques that will help put you in the winner's circle during the awards ceremony.

To pre-register for any of the seminars please contact me or Chuck Kesson (ckesson@hotmail.com). The informational brochure, that outlines the topics covered during the seminar, is posted on the CHNYC WEB site. Brochures are also available at the Marina Office and in Building 18. The \$25 fee is waived for CHNYC members so it pays to join the yacht club

Coasters Harbor Navy Yacht Club Points of Contact

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Please complete this short form below. Renewals provide us the opportunity to ensure all of your information is up to date.

MAIL TO: CHNYC c/o Janet Belson, Treasurer, 5 Benedict Ave., Portsmouth, RI 02871-2301

☐ New CHNYC Member ☐ Renewal ☐ Membership Number
☐ CHNYC Individual (\$25) ☐ CHNYC Family (\$35)
☐ Active Duty ☐ Projected Rotation Date
☐ Dependent ☐ Retired ☐ Reserve ☐ DOD

NAME: _____
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 DUTY STATION/WORK: _____
 BOAT NAME: _____ POWER: _____ SAIL: _____
 TYPE/MANUFACTURE: _____ LOA: _____ BEAM: _____
 MARINA BERTH # _____ OTHER: _____

Very important ... areas in which you'd like to help and/or get involved with: We particularly need help with ...

☐ On-The-Water Sail Training ☐ Ground School ☐ Race Committee

We also need assistance with these programs: Please check the blank and show your support ...

☐ Sail Qualification Upgrades (Rhodes/Shields) ☐ Power Squadron ☐ Cruising
☐ Facilities (including Weather Emergency Crew) ☐ Special Events (Picnics, Socials, Etc)

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*Taken the morning of April 16, 2004: Spring has sprung, the Rhodes have ris'n, I wonder where their masts . . . is'n?
This poem may not rhyme but this is music to some sailor's ears and a sight for sore eyes! Bring on May and June!*